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Punta Gorda Baptist Church—Rev. J. E. McIntosh, pastor. Services every Sunday at 7:00 p. m. Sunday school at 3:00 p. m. every Sunday. Prayer meeting every Tuesday night.
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Y. P. S. C. E.—Meets every Tuesday evening in the Presbyterian church at 7:30.
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CHINESE WASTE PAPER.

Every Scrap With a Printed Character Is Sacred.

You will never find upon the street or in the rubbish heap a scrap of paper with Chinese characters written or printed upon it. An intelligent Chinaman, questioned as to the reason, explained the matter in this way: "Melican man never tears up and throws in street his Bible or hymnbook. Chinese liting all same to Chinaman as Melican man's Bible."

Then he still further elucidated the mystery by leading the way to the cellar of a race street house, in which, piled up before a gigantic furnace, were bundles of paper and sacks of letters and newspapers printed in Chinese hieroglyphics.

Interpreted into plain English the old Chinaman's story was that the oriental regarded the written characters as so sacred that this furnace was especially set apart, after being blessed by the priests, for the incineration of all Chinese letters and documents.

So sacred indeed was the Chinese writing regarded by the orientals that the most compromising letters of the highlanders and the private correspondence of families were left with confidence in the care of the furnace attendant, it being perfectly well known that he would not risk his immortal soul by committing the deadly sin of prying into correspondence committed to his care to be given in the flames.

Nor does the oriental regard the Chinese writing as safe from the hands of the infidel even when every scrap of it has been reduced to ashes. After the paper has been burned the ashes are carefully collected, and when enough has accumulated to make a lead they are shipped on board a boat belonging to the Chinese Merchants' company, by which society all such matters are managed, and taken to sea, where they are scattered over the surface of the ocean.

To the Chinaman it is horrifying to see the white man's newspapers used for wrapping purposes, his letters scattered around the streets to be walked on and his old books hung around when read as though of no more sacredness than old boots. A letter, an envelope, the printed slips extolling the virtues of preserved ginger or the characters that advertise a laundry for sale become, after their usefulness has passed, as sacred as the gilded ornaments that add to the glory of the joss.

One man is employed in Chinatown to collect the waste paper. He calls at the stores and the rooms and gathers it up with the utmost care, tying it in sacks so that not a shred shall escape. With his sacred burden he goes to the furnace room and hands the sacks to the important personage in charge there, who stows it away ready for the next burning day. Twice a week the furnace is lighted and the sacks of paper solemnly committed to the flames, with many incantations.—Philadelphia Record.

How He Proposed.

He wished to propose to the girl of his choice, but he was nervous. First he thought of the old romantic style: "By my halidom, fair one, I would fain take thee for my bride, say thou wilt be mine, and ere the sun glida the turrets of yonder castle the friar shall unite us in holy bonds."

In the face of the prevalent rage for dramas of the olden style, this form seemed satisfactory. Being an eminent modern young man, however, he thought again and determined to test the theatrical mode.

But just at that moment the fair Mary tripped into the room, and he blurted out: "Er—Mary—er—will you—er—well—"

But Mary was far from being contrary. "Oh, that's all right, George," said she, "I know what you mean. Why, of course, I will. Papa will be delighted!"—New York Herald.

Sucking Poisonous Wounds.

Among all people the sucking of the wound has ever been considered the most effective remedy of immediate application for snake bites. In Africa a cupping instrument is employed in emergencies of the kind to draw out the poisoned blood. The ancients followed the same methods, and when Cato made his famous expedition through the serpent infested African deserts he employed many savage snake charmers, called paylls, to follow the army. They performed many mysterious rites over men who were bitten, and the efficacy of their treatment appears to have consisted in sucking the wounds.

Electric Centipede.

Least attractive among the insects which give light are the so called "electric centipede." Black crawlers with many legs which have been likened to serpentine skeletons in miniature. They move in a snakelike fashion, forward or backward, leaving behind them a bright track of phosphoric light. However, they are most accustomed to appear in the daytime, when the illumination they afford is not visible.—London Times.

mate Brides.

It had rained all the long dreary day, and his golden curls were bedraggled and wet, and his nice collar hung limp down his slender shoulders when he came home at a quarter past 4 o'clock and threw his schoolbooks at the cat, which lay beside the hearth.

"Grandpa," he said softly as he came to where the old man was quietly sitting, smoking and thinking, "I thought all brides were of the female sex."

"They are, child; they are. Why do you make such an odd remark?" "Because, grandpa, in looking over my geography lesson I came upon the Hebrides. They are females, too, and if so why are they called 'he'?"

Not Reduced to That.
Gottlieb Schneider—I hear you had a new bicycle got. Do you get much on it?
Louie Piltzschner—I had neffer had it to a pawnshop aliently.—Columbus (O.) State Journal.

FISH DEALERS BUSY

Preparing for Increased Business the Coming Season.

Our wholesale fish dealers are enlarging their facilities and otherwise preparing for a large increase of business the approaching season.

Messrs. Geo. T. Brown & Co. are building a commodious addition to their packing house and have bought two new sharpies to add to their fleet. These boats were purchased in North Carolina and one of them, the W. J. Wallace, in charge of Capt. Harry Moore, is already on the way here, having left Beaufort June 30th. Messrs. Brown & Co. did an immense business last season, but they expect to do still more the coming season. There is not a more reliable concern in all Florida.

The Chadwick Bros. Fish Co., although having limited facilities, enjoyed a fine trade last season and are now equipping themselves to handle double the business they did. They are building two large sharpies, which will be ready for launching in a week or two and will enable them to fill promptly orders of any size. Mr. John C. Lewis, who is the manager of this company, is blessed with long experience and an extensive acquaintance with the trade, advantages which, with the increased facilities now preparing, guarantee for the company a splendid business in the future.

The Punta Gorda Fish Co., which is composed of those popular, hustling and reliable gentlemen, Messrs. Knight, Smith and Dreggers, are also building a big sharpie and will be fully prepared to supply all customers. Their business last season was eminently satisfactory, but is sure to be more so during the coming season. They are well equipped with boats and nets, and, having experienced crews, they are safe in promising the utmost promptness in shipping all orders large or small.

The local branch of the Florida Fish and Produce Co., under the superior management of Mr. L. T. Blocksome, is well known in the markets as one of the biggest fish concerns in the South. Its ability to handle a huge business with promptness and despatch was fully demonstrated last season. With branches at Tampa, Miami and Jacksonville, the company is well prepared to concentrate its extensive facilities at any one of these points that may experience any sudden rush of orders and supply customers without any delay.

Besides these, the new firm of J. E. McIntosh & Co. is getting ready for the wholesale as well as the retail trade. As soon as possible, they will have boats and a packing house of their own; and being very polite and obliging gentlemen, careful, correct and prompt in their methods, it is safe to prophesy success for them.

The fish dealers of Punta Gorda are all reliable business men; and as these waters afford the biggest mullet and the greatest variety of other fine food fish to be found in the Gulf, we have a glowing prospect of a golden harvest in the immediate future.

A LONG FET WANT.

"Florida wants an Aladdin to build up the West Coast the same as the East Coast has been built up. We want a railroad skirting the West Coast from Pensacola to the Boca Grande," says the Ocala Banner. Projected roads are "pintin" that way, but as yet there is for the West Coast no magician like unto Flager.—Pensacola News.

It is quite likely that the recent immense purchase of lands in South Florida, amounting to over three millions of acres, through General A. W. Gilchrist, and the proposed reclamation of the Everglades by a company incorporated for the work, will be the means of beginning the cultivation of sugar on a large scale in this state.—Miami News.

Where Vessels Capsize Frequently.
The capsizing of a vessel tied to a pier is common enough in the bay of Fundy and its tributary streams. The usual rise and fall of the tide along that bay is from forty to fifty feet, and high tides sometimes exceed sixty feet. With the fall of the tide all craft are left high, but by no means dry, with an area of chocolate colored mud all about them. This mud is so shifting to hold a vessel in safety, so each pier is provided with one or more strong wood frames called shoves, fixed at the bottom of the stream or bay.

Upon these shoves all vessels rest at low tide. It frequently happens, however, that a vessel does not get her shoe snugly on, so to speak, and if a strong wind comes when she is thus ill balanced over she goes into the mud, to be buried forty-five feet under the next rising tide.

Fitting.
La Montt—Here is a periodical devoted to air navigation.
La Moyne—Ah, it must be a fly paper.—Philadelphia Record.

Give what you have. To some it may be better than you dare to think.—Longfellow.

TEACHERS APPOINTED.

Following is a list of schools and teachers together with their salaries as given out by the school board at their July meeting:

- 1 Arcadia, J. H. Fuls, principal F Childers, 1st assistant.....
- Miss Jessie Oakley, 3rd assistant " Mary Ratliff, Primary.....
- 2 Punta Gorda, M. H. Smith, Prin. Miss Norma Pepper, 1st assistant " Willie Stetson, 2nd " " Ella Beeson, primary.....
- 3 Avon Park, E. L. Richardson.....
- 4 Popash, Mrs. Daley Whidden.....
- 5 Wauchula, F. W. Corr, Principal.....
- Mrs. F. W. Corr, Assistant.....
- Miss Alyce Heard, Primary.....
- 6 Nocatee, T. B. Adams, Principal.....
- Harriet Heusted, Assistant.....
- 7 Charlotte Harbor, Miss Alma Nance.....
- 8 Ona, Joseph Wilson, Principal.....
- Miss Maud Altman, Assistant.....
- 9 Lily, Miss Humphries, principal.....
- Miss Capie Smedley, Assistant.....
- 10 Torrey, J. M. Ray.....
- 11 Lemon Grove, I. G. Wingate.....
- 12 Live Oak, W. B. Beeson.....
- 13 Joshua Creek, H. O. Carlton.....
- 14 Fish Creek, Joseph Stephens.....
- 15 Magnolia, Lyman Higges.....
- 16 Owens, John S. Carlton, principal.....
- Miss Ethel Burrance Assistant.....
- 17 Mulberry, Miss Florence Dyer.....
- 18 Brownville, T. B. Hartig, prin.....
- 19 Miss Mae Pearce, Assistant.....
- 20 Oak Hill, Garfield Johnson.....
- 21 Hendry, Hendry.....
- 22 Crewsville, D. D. Crews.....
- 24 Fort Ogden, W. D. Bell, prin.....
- Miss Daisy Manek, Assistant.....
- 26 Castalia, Mrs. Mattie Roberts.....
- 27 Pine Level, C. E. Hendry.....
- 28 Sweetwater, J. F. Murphy.....
- 31 Gardner, Lafayette Waldron.....
- 32 Bushy Creek, Joseph Cordell.....
- 35 Union, Miss Mackie Sheddian.....
- 39 Hull, Ella Branning.....
- 40 Cleveland, Mrs. Alice McGee.....
- 42 Collier, H. G. Murphy.....
- 46 Pleasant Grove, J. J. Coker.....
- 47 Fish Branch, Adna Bates.....
- 48 Bassenger, Mrs. S. H. McAllister.....

The following are the schools for which no teachers have been selected, also the prices paid:

Arcadia 2nd assistant, price not given, assistant Charlotte Harbor \$30, Fort Green \$30, Maud \$25, Limestone \$30, Bee Branch \$25, Ft. Thompson \$25, Prairie \$30, Prospect \$35, Lake Branch \$25, Kuhlman \$25, Spring Hill \$30 Midway \$30—Champion.

Poor Richard's Almanac.

Dr. Franklin himself in one of the last numbers of the almanac gathered together all the best sayings of Poor Richard, which for twenty-five years had amused and edified the country. These sayings are in constant use at this day.

For example: "Early to bed and early to rise makes a man healthy, wealthy and wise;" "Drive thy business; let it not drive thee;" "Help hands, for I have no lands;" "No gains without pains;" "Constant dropping wears a way stones;" "Three removes are as bad as a fire;" "He that by the plow would thrive himself must either hold or drive;" "A fat kitchen makes a lean will;" "Experience keeps a dear school, but fools will learn in no other."

It was such homely maxims as these inserted in all the little gaps of the almanac that made it so popular. Franklin said he sometimes sold 10,000 copies in a year, a wonderful sale for that day. The first number of Poor Richard's Almanac appeared in 1732.

Woman.

Woman, the gentlest of all creatures, is apt to become masterful and even tyrannical, this because she is a creature in whose composition emotion dominates, and emotion, when highly stimulated, becomes passion, and passion assumes all reasonable limitation and becomes tyrannical. Besides, there are women with more than ordinary firm will and persistent purpose; these, when winged by the passion which is natural to the sex, become intolerant, masterful and more tyrannical than men. Qualification to the intense action of the impassioned soul is treachery, and contradiction is treason. Like a stormy wind they will have their sweep and ignore all contraries. And from this predominance of the emotional element it seems plain that, though she may try many things and succeed in most, she is, with her normal outfit, materially incapacitated from being a statesman or a judge.—Daybook of John Stuart Blackie.

Old Time Moon Beliefs.

It was to the moon the farmer looked for indications of the weather. If the new moon lay well on its back, it was a sign of dry weather, but if it tipped to such an extent that a shot puck wouldn't hang on the lower horn you might depend upon the water pouring out.

The time of changing had a good deal to do with the weather, but there was a lack of agreement upon this point; but it was generally conceded that a change before noon or before midnight indicated fair weather. A circle or halo around the moon was a sure sign of rain, and the number of stars visible within the circle indicated the number of days before the rain would come.

Caution.
"Have you got any corned beef?" asked the guest.
"All I know about it," said the conscientious waiter, "is that it looks like beef and it's corned. Wish some?"—Chicago Tribune.

It is a good thing for a young man to try to make his mark in the world so long as he uses something besides red paint in doing it.—Syracuse Herald.

A LAWYER'S

EXPERIENCE.

The Story of a Convicted Man, a Pardon and a Pointer.

"A good many years ago," said a well known Michigan lawyer who was reminiscing the other day, "I became greatly interested in a state prison case. A young farmer was charged with having driven off ten out of a flock of twelve sheep and sold them to a butcher. He put up a fair defense, but was convicted and sentenced to a term of three years."

"There were plenty of people who believed that he was perfectly innocent, and even the butcher who bought the sheep came in time to doubt if he had identified the right party. After the case had stirred up a whole county I took a land in it. In my petition to the governor I had the evidence of the young man's father, mother and sweetheart, and I got eight of the jurors to sign it. I made out such a good case that the governor took it under advisement and finally agreed to issue a pardon. In speaking to me of the case he said:

"There is no sort of doubt in my mind that this was a case of mistaken identity, and I shall be only too glad to restore the young man to liberty."

"It became my pleasant duty to drive seven miles over the middle of roads to hear the news to the parents that a pardon was to be issued. The old man was under the weather and in bed in a room off the parlor. The wife received me and sobbed over the good news and then went in to break it to her husband, and they both spoke in loud tones, and I plainly heard her say:

"Oh, Hannah, there is a man here who says our John is to be pardoned tomorrow!"

"You don't say!" he exclaimed.

"Yes; it's certainly so."

"Going to be pardoned right out, eh?"

"Yes; he is."

"Well, well, that's good news. Say, Mary, what a fool John was not to get the other two sheep while he was about it."

"I left the rejoicing farmhouse, intending to wire the governor to withhold the pardon," said the lawyer, "but it presently struck me that I had advanced about twenty good reasons why the young man couldn't be guilty, and I therefore decided to sing small and let things go on. He was duly pardoned and sent home, and the governor never met me for years after without congratulating me on rehabilitating an innocent man wrongly convicted!"—Detroit Free Press.

COOKING HINTS.

For a change try boiling apples in sweet cider. When apples begin to get tasteless, this makes a change.

Cocoa loses that raw taste if it is allowed to simmer for a